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For: A CARCASS STRUCTURE FOR TYRES FOR VEHICLE WHEELS, AND A  
TYRE COMPRISING SAID CARCASS STRUCTURE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

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**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant brings to the Examiner's attention the documents listed on attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the documents listed on attached Form PTO-1449 and indicate that they were considered by making an appropriate notation on this form.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application.

The following is listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 and is in a non-English language:

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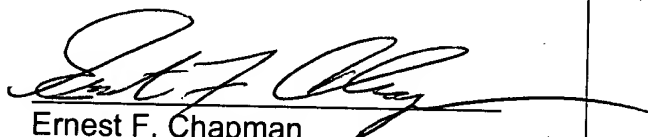
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